

Racette Parent Advisory
Meeting Date: Wednesday, Sept. 21/23
Time: 7:00 pm

→ **Call to order - 7:07 pm**

◆ **Welcome - Prayer and Land Acknowledgement:**

*Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy Will be done,
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
Amen*

*I wish to also respectfully
acknowledge that we gather today
on Treaty 6 Territory, a traditional
gathering place for many Indigenous
Peoples both past and present.*

- ◆ **Attendance - Jennifer G, Emilie L, Cindy L, Alma N, Pennie, Z, Trustee Sylvie Smyl, Principal Andrea Austin, Admin Corinne Pashko**
- ◆ **Teacher Representative - n/a**
- ◆ **Additions to the agenda - none**
- ◆ **Approval of agenda -**
- ◆ **Review and approval of minutes -**

→ **Old Business:**

- ◆ **Fundraising - update provided by Cindy L**
 - **Owlseye Greenhouses - Christmas flowers and plants - school sets the price - would need to submit order by Oct 13 - delivery would be early December**
 - **Co-op gift cards - 5% profit - minimum purchase \$3000 in cards - \$50 and \$100 denominations available**
 - **Sobeys - details have been difficult to obtain**
 - **Parents decided to run the Owlseye Greenhouses and Co-op fundraisers simultaneously**
 - **Cindy volunteered to organize the orders and payments. Parent volunteers will support her.**
- ◆ **STEAM Room/Robotics**
 - **Transitioning the Art room into a STEAM lab**
 - **Mrs. Poirier is spearheading the transition and incorporating STEAM activities into various classes**
- ◆ **Working on changing all correspondence to "Ecole Racette School"**
 - **Please let us know if you find something that still needs to be changed.**

→ **Trustee Report -**

meeting highlights

- Organizational meeting - Trustee Smyl was once again named as Board Chair
- Early enrolment numbers show the division is 60 students below projection
- All Division staff came together on the September 1 PLC Day to learn about Collaborative Response, a new initiative that is being brought into Division schools
- New websites (Division and school) have been rolled out
- Transportation department has rolled out the Bus Status 4 app
- School Messenger will be rolled out later in the fall
- The Division's Audit Committee is still seeking 2 public members. Interested individuals should contact Secretary-Treasurer Jean Cahmpagne
- Summer School through SPAEC was very successful

→ **Principal's Report -**

- ❖ Week of Welcome activities this week (grades 6-9)
- ❖ Terry Fox Walk/Run will be Friday, Sept. 22nd. Family Challenge to follow
- ❖ Volleyball and volunteer coaches - thanks to those that are volunteering
- ❖ SPAA Golf (Boys placed 1st and 2nd and Girls placed 3rd)
- ❖ SPAA Cross Country - Sept. 28th
- Parents expressed appreciation for the communication letters providing information about upcoming sports
- Online school registration - a parent suggested that a confirmation email be sent to parents when registration is complete and received by the school.

→ **New Business**

- ◆ Academic Awards format ... looking at changes throughout the Division. October 11th
 - Parents were not opposed to moving towards a pass/fail model of assessment for non-core subjects

→ **Next Meeting: October 18, 2023**

→ **Meeting Adjourned: 8:42pm**